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Arrest in the Orlando Ruffin Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives have obtained warrants for arrests in connection to the murder of Orlando Ruffin. Ruffin was shot and killed on Thursday, December 22, 2022, in the 2200 block of Beulah Avenue, after a dispute with relatives.

The suspect has been identified as:

Clinton Tyrone Ruffin (40), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

Ruffin was taken into custody on the scene and placed on an investigative hold at the Birmingham City Jail. Birmingham Police Detectives gathered information and presented to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office. After an assessment of the information, detectives obtained a warrant for **Murder** with a bond of \$100,000. Ruffin was transported to the Jefferson County Jail where a bond was posted.

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Homicide Investigation (Media Release 265)

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Thursday, December 22, 2022.

The victim will be identified upon notification to the next of kin.

At 9:04 pm Birmingham 9-1-1 received a call that an adult male was involved in a verbal altercation with family members at a residence in the 2200 block of Beulah Avenue. At 9:11 another call came in that an adult male had been shot at the location.

Upon arrival West Precinct officers observed an adult male at the location suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. Birmingham Fire and Rescue arrived at the scene and transported the victim to UAB Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries.

The suspect was taken into custody on the scene, and he was placed on a 48 hour investigative hold at the Birmingham City Jail. Homicide detectives will present information to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office for an assessment.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

These are Birmingham's 132nd murder investigation of 2022 with 10 justifiable death investigations. The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations in the total homicide investigations counts.

The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

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